

10.2 Recommendations from the Special Committee of Council Meeting of 14 November 2011

10.2.1 Grade Separation of Mitcham and Rooks Road

Moved by Cr Daw, Seconded by Cr Pemberton

That Council:

- A) Write to the Minister for Transport advising him that Council's preferred options at the present time for the grade separation of Mitcham and Rooks Road are as follows;**
- 1. The rail line is lowered beneath both Mitcham and Rooks Road and that Mitcham Station is located to the west side of Mitcham Road, as at present.**
 - 2. If a cut solution is adopted, the rail line is capped.**
 - 3. The car parking associated with the station is contained within its existing site envelope and that there is no net loss of spaces, and that provision is made for adding car parking associated with residential, retail and commercial development that may be constructed above the station and car park.**
 - 4. The feasibility of a deep tunnel be considered rather than a cut tunnel.**
 - 5. The planning authority for any development(s) in the airspace above the rail line, station, car-park and associated facilities remain with the City of Whitehorse.**
 - 6. Any realignment of the rail reservation does not encroach on the Brunswick Road parkland.**
 - 7 Traffic amelioration and possible calming is adopted in Mitcham Road with particular emphasis on ensuring adequate and safe access and egress to and from side streets abutting Mitcham Road.**
 - 8. The feasibility of bringing forward the grade separation of Blackburn Road is considered with a view to undertake the work concurrently with the Mitcham and Rooks Road grade separations in order to reduce disruption span times and costs.**
 - 9. The grade separation design of Rooks and Mitcham Roads should include the construction of the "Box Hill to Ringwood bicycle path" according to Council's feasibility study.**
 - 10. That the grade separation project for Mitcham Road includes a pedestrian connection between Precinct 13 and Brunswick road parkland, over the rail line.**
- B) Write to the Minister for Planning and Member for Mitcham calling for their support for this resolution of Council and advocate on its behalf.**

- C) Write to VicRoads advising of this resolution.**
- D) That Council, mindful of the forthcoming grade separation at Mitcham, request VicRoads to prepare and distribute by mail, a questionnaire to local residents, seeking feedback; questionnaire to include:**
- 1. Should there be a vehicular access connection between Calcutta and Station Streets Mitcham, or should Calcutta Street remain a local road only?**
 - 2. Should all bus, taxi and station drop offs be accessed via Mitcham Road only, with access and egress points somewhere between and opposite Brunswick Road and Barkly Terrace, or should there be other access/egress points?**
 - 3. Should Station Street be developed as a pedestrian mall, providing a link to Britannia Mall and the Station?**
 - 4. Should access to Columbo Street be by use of facilities as outlined above?**

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COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by Cr Daw, Seconded by Cr Harris

That the recommendation from the Special Committee of Council Meeting of 14 November 2011 Item 10.2.1 be received and adopted.

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